

Remarks

Applicants have amended the specification to correct an obvious error. Paragraph [0066] previously referred to the water to purified PO stream as being *greater* than about 1:20 and more preferably *greater* than about 1:15 by weight. Further, the paragraph had provided that the ratio would be *less* than about 1:5 and preferably *less* than about 1:8, by weight.

The correction is that the water to purified PO stream is *less* than about 1:20 and more preferably *less* than about 1:15 by weight, and *greater* than about 1:5 and preferably *greater* than about 1:8, by weight.

Support for the correction can be found in Example 1, which gives the weight ratio of water as extractive solvent to purified propylene oxide as 1:12.5. The specification is being amended to conform to the example. Further, the “preferably” language as worded in paragraph [0066] before correction did not further limit the ratio.

New claim 24 is based on claim 1, with limitations from claims 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9 incorporated. Since claim 1 was found allowable over prior art, claim 24 should be so as well.

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